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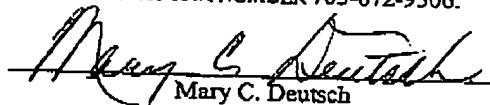
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ON JUNE 13, 2005, THIS  
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#3629 AT FAX NUMBER 703-872-9306.

  
Mary C. DeutschRESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on March 11, 2005. The three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on June 11, 2005. Applicant considers this Response as timely submitted within the shortened statutory reply period. However, if any extension period is required in order for this paper to be timely filed, then Applicant hereby requests an extension for such additional time period and authorizes the appropriate fees therefore to be charged to the Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.

It is believed that no other fee is required in filing this Response. However, if any fee is required, please charge the appropriate fee to the Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.

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